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Amendments to the Abstract

Replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

The present invention relates to a A filter, in particular for the separation of leucocytes from further blood components, comprising has an outer sheath, comprising at least one intermediate layer which is a component of a frame or which forms a frame, comprising an inlet chamber[[,]] which is in communication with an inlet for the medium to be filtered, and an outlet chamber[[,]] which is in communication with an outlet for the filtrate, and comprising a filter material which separates the inlet chamber from the outlet chamber. A The filter is particularly low in dead space and which can be centrifuged in a simple manner is provided in that since the filter material is encompassed between the outer sheath and the intermediate layer.

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For the examiner's convenience, a clean text version of the replacement abstract (106 words) is presented below:

A filter, in particular for the separation of leucocytes from further blood components, has an outer sheath, at least one intermediate layer which is a component of a frame or which forms a frame, an inlet chamber which is in communication with an inlet for the medium to be filtered, an outlet chamber which is in communication with an outlet for the filtrate, and a filter material which separates the inlet chamber from the outlet chamber. The filter is particularly low in dead space and can be centrifuged in a simple manner since the filter material is encompassed between the outer sheath and the intermediate layer.